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When Lee Surrendered

By SALLIE PATE STEEL.

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CHAPTER I.

She turned away, her eyes instinctively seeking the window opposite.

He was just vanishing over the brow of the hill when they came clattering along the dusty road. Heavens! Would the broomstraw hide his tall form from their watching eyes? With her arms about her mother's waist Glen strained her own sight to watch him, while a sob rose in her throat. Mauma Betsey, with her fat arms akimbo, stood at the corner of the house, alternately watching the disappearance of her eldest nursling and the rapid approach of a squad of cavalrymen as they drew nearer and nearer in a cloud of dust.

"My Gawd! Miss May, it 'pears de Yanks sho' 'nuff," she gasped, with her eyes starting from her head. "I 'lar to goodness dey's a stoppin', and dat ar hoss Nelse hangin' on to de front gate am 'bout de purtiest hoss I ever did hide sot on a bridle. Wish dey would 'pause him sorel, 'cause I'll give him Yankee Doodle when I gits hold o' him again, see if I don't."

But Glen scarcely heard the mother's heart. Were they about to enter this defenseless home? But no, after a brief consultation with Nelse the party wheeled across the road and entered a grove of live oaks just opposite the manor.

Nelse hung on to the gate with outstretched neck and starting eyes until the last blue coat was out of sight, and then dropping off, sped like a bullet up the avenue and around the house into Mauma Betsey's retreat full of news.

Lawsie! he panted, nimbly dodging a cuff which she directed at his ears. "Is you seen dem Yanks, mammy?"

But before Mauma Betsey could hurst forth Glen left her mother's side and turned her stern young face inquiringly up to the boy.

"Would you tell them men, Nelse?" she said.

"Deed I don't, Miss Glen. Hope I may die if I did. Dey up an' axed me who lived here, an' I 'lar one to you an' to Miss an' Missy, an' me an' mammy stays all de time, cause nigguhs done runned off."

"And what did they say then?"

Nelse scratched his head slowly and, despite his anxiety to be gone and at the mansion, he could not help grinning with delight at the success of his story.

"Lawdy, Miss Glen, I hope I may die if I did. One white feller wearing a sword pint, an' he say, 'You gwine tell me if you don't I'll shoot you, you yet ole ape,' an' I 'lar—"

But Mauma Betsey was no longer to be kept out of the conversation. "You black heah, nigger!" She had managed in the heat of the discussion to grasp the wary Nelse by the shoulder and was pushing him before her to the kitchen doorway, near which they were standing. "You jes bounce ketch you hangin' on to dat front gate again, prospeckin' jest Yanks will you! An if ever I heah a word out o' your black mouf bout Mars Frank gittin' away I'll cram you like a sad boy. You heah me, don't you?"

As the poor disappointed Mrs. Nelse lifted her uncertain eyes to her daughter's face—"Glen, do you think he told them?" she whispered.

"I am afraid he did, dear, but mother, don't give up so. They must have left half an hour or later. They have made no move as yet to search for him, and he is out of their reach now, or soon will be. He knows every foot of those woods and hills, and there are plenty of doors open to him. He will not lack for food and shelter. Besides, we can still communicate with him, and they will surely not be stationed long in the out of the way place. What a mercy he escaped them."

But, oh, my child! think of the fearful outrages these straggling bands of soldiers have committed through the country. Oh, if I had but been wise enough to have sent you away, and kept only Missy with me!"

"Now, mother, listen. I am not afraid of a whole regiment of Yankees, and what in the world would you have done without me? You must come right in now and have a cup of tea and lie down, and if Missy's nap is out I'll bring her down to keep you company while I watch the movements of the blue-coated gentry over in the grove a little and keep my eye on Nelse, for he'll slip through Mauma Betsey's fingers like an eel, sure enough."

But when her mother had been comfortably established on the sitting room sofa with Missy, warm and rosy from her afternoon nap, chattering happily beside her, Glen's lighthearted show of fearlessness forsook her. Her anxiety took the form of restless wanderings over the house, whose every window commanding a view of the grove opposite, drew her in turn like a magnet.

It was a fine old home of red brick, standing well back from the high road, surrounded by clustering trees and approached by an avenue of magnificent cedars; but the grounds were no longer trim and well kept, and the numerous outbuildings were dilapidated and vacant. An air of neglect and loneliness, enhanced by its remote situation from any town or village, hung about the place, and its interior corresponded but too well with this external desolation.

There had evidently been but few modern additions to the household belongings in late years. The furniture was still handsome, but old and massive, and the brilliant hues of the Turkey carpets and the rich curtains had faded to softer and neutral tints. The bare floors in some of the rooms were actually more cheerful, for they were waxed and rubbed until they shone like mirrors, and when the fires were lighted in the open fireplaces the flames glistened upon shining oak and danced on the polished surface of old mahogany and multiplied themselves in the big brass andirons, that shone in rivalry of the brass candlesticks upon the high, old fashioned mantels.

As Glen wandered restlessly from room to room, her home seemed to wear a new and unfamiliar aspect to her startled eyes. Suppose it should be invaded! It had always been so sure and peaceful a haven. Remote and secluded, only the rumors of war had disturbed its inmates, and the one member of the immediate family who had ever been called upon to yield to its demands had thus far been singularly preserved from danger. But its grim shadow had taken all the color out of the girl's life. All her opportunities had been sacrificed to it. Every promise of her opening girlhood had been blighted by it.

"You won't have gone to school in Philadelphia, dear," her mother would say sometimes, passing her hand over Glen's fine head caressingly, "and then abroad, if it had not been for the war; your father and I had planned it all. Or, there is no hope of your coming out, or of our entertaining for you, as we would once have done. It would all have been so different if it had not been for the war."

Of course these were but mere considerations, and the girl unselfishly put them to be such. Were there not always graver concessions to be borne in mind? Had not this irresistible war snatched from them their all, whatsoever had been left by the ravages of time? [illegible] before her, as she remained the head of a household, was a sad evidence of its terrors.

The hall was a fine old entrance to a fine old house. Its raised floor and rich wainscot gleamed in the evening light, and a curiously carved settle stood on each side of the door.

A few high backed chairs and one or two old tables with square spindle legs constituted its meager furniture, but its noble proportions and its carvings redeemed it from barrenness, and it was sweet with the fine cedar and wild flowers of which Glen had yesterday filled the vases. A bowl filled with early violets and pale primroses was placed directly beneath a portrait draped with the red and Confederate flag, and looking up at the lovely face and hair with all the fiery tragedy of a hopeless love devotion written upon it, Glen read once more through a mist of tears the inscription beneath:

"Captain Helen, a brave soldier and a gallant gentleman, fell in leading a charge at the battle of Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862."

As she turned away, her eyes instinctively seeking the window opposite were thrown suddenly into a view of her face, she started with surprise and terror. A man in the uniform of a Union cavalry officer was making his way up the long avenue to the house.

CHAPTER II.

"The man in the uniform of the blue coat."

Before she had time to collect herself she heard the jingle of spurs outside, and a peremptory hand knocked at the door. It was barred and bolted. Before Glen had crossed the floor to open it she was herself again. As she stood fronting her visitor the instinct of hospitality, cold as her face itself, forced a sentence from her unwilling lips.

"Will you come in," she asked coldly but not ungraciously. An instinct as strong, the instinct of homage to her sex and her beauty, stirred in the man before her. With bared head and a profound bow he accepted her invitation. His face was very young. Glen thought quickly—as young as the pictured face just opposite. Her eyes had noted the captain's epaulettes upon his shoulders, and his courteous manner reassured her.

"May I speak to the lady of the house?" he asked, or, perhaps—

Glen motioned him to a chair. "If you will be seated, I will call my mother," she said, and left the room.

Now, if you had told Captain Campbell ten minutes before that this would be his method of approaching a southern household he would have laughed you to scorn. He had already planned this "raid." He had meant simply to state to the owner or owners of the mansion that he required certain accommodations for his men in general and for a wounded comrade among them in particular. This was to be done in that curt, businesslike manner which befitted a Union officer upholding his government when addressing a rebel. And behold, a pair of beautiful eyes, which had looked up fearlessly into his own, had suddenly changed all his tactics. The charms of the room into which he had entered completed the transformation he was undergoing.

That was little in it to attract a marauding soldier—there was much that appealed to the refinement of a man who in camp and bivouac had longed for all the sweet amenities of home, and been none the less brave for the longing. He reveled in the scent of the pine logs flickering softly on the hall hearth and mingling their perfume with that of the violets and primroses upon the quaint old tables. He even longed to touch a bit of feminine lacework which was reflected in the polished surface of one of them, upon which it lay. When he rose at the entrance of the lady of the house he bent before her with even greater reverence than that with which her daughter had inspired him. Surely she resembled his own mother, perhaps not in feature, but in that exquisite likeness of expression which all tender mothers bear to each other.

"Madam," he said, "I have no apology to offer for my intrusion but the fortunes of war. Your woods afford but a sorry asylum at this season, and a wounded fellow officer under my charge is afraid of suffering from the effects of exposure. I must ask shelter for him and for my men."

He was not wholly unprepared for the gentle courtesy of her reply.

"There are a number of vacant rooms in the house," she said. "They are at your disposal. Perhaps you had better look at them to ascertain if they are sufficient for your force. If not, I may be able to make other arrangements as my family is small. I will send some one to show you over the house."

It was well that he could not hear the troubled discussion which followed between mother and daughter in the next room.

"I am most unwilling, Glen"—

"But, mother, I am not at all afraid, and there is no one else your going is out of the question. Mauma Betsey would never mount the stairs with her 'jints,' and Nelse would betray us on the first landing. Set your mind at rest. Missy shall go with me."

And so it came to pass that Captain Campbell presently found himself following a slender figure, which held a lighted candle high in one hand, up a winding stairway and along a wide hall, with Missy toiling patiently in the rear. It was a strangely silent procession. His guide flitting on, with such quick, light footsteps before him, said nothing but a few words of explanation as they entered one misty, closed up room after the other; but he was sufficiently occupied in noting the poise of her head, the turn of her rounded wrist, the scant, soft folds of the gown that clung to her young shape. It was of some faint gray stuff—a mother-eaten heirloom of her mother's, if he had but known it—and her only adornment was a cluster of carnations, which Missy had fastened at her sister's throat a half hour ago. He thought he had never seen colors so artistically blended.

"This is the ballroom," she said, suddenly stopping before a double door and throwing it open for him to enter. It was with a pang that she did so. Of all the rooms in the house it was in this that she had dreamed the sweetest day dreams. It had been used as a school room of late years, and an old blackboard and some forlorn desks in one corner still bore witness to this profanation, but a raised platform at one end for an orchestra attested its true character, and the floor was as smooth as polished ivory. There was a tradition in the family that Washington had once danced a minuet upon its honored boards, and that here Lafayette had beat the knee in stately courtesy to some fair ancestress of the Helens, but in all Glen's young girlhood it had never echoed to the footsteps of any dancers save those with whom her fancy had peopled it.

"What a fine old room!" said Campbell admiringly. He unpityingly put out one foot to try the polished surface, and at the same time Missy, with her short skirts daintily lifted in her chubby hands and her charming head held smilingly to one side, advanced toward him with pretty mincing steps. He looked up, hoping to see her sister's severe young mouth relax, but there was a sudden whiz, the candle was dashed from her hand, and they were in utter darkness. Glen uttered a faint cry, there was a scream from Missy, and for one brief moment the captain felt that these two young creatures shrank toward him for protection, but Glen soon recovered herself.

"It was only a bat," she said calmly, and sure enough, when the candle was found and relit, the ugly creature, scared from some dusty hiding place, was seen circling and swooping over their heads. But they had had enough of exploring. As they retraced their steps the captain insisted upon holding the candle and leading the way, and Missy clung confidingly to his hand, in spite of her sister's whispered remonstrances. When they reached the head of the stairs the small witch put up her arms with a plea to be "carried" which could not be resisted, and before Glen could interpose the captain had shifted his candle to the left hand and swung her up to his shoulder with his strong right arm, to her great glee and delight. All the way down the long staircase Glen bit her lip at the sight of the small, dark head resting so contentedly against the blond one, and when Missy's evening ablutions were performed some hours afterward, her left cheek and her pink right palm were scrubbed so vigorously as to cause complaint. When she came to say her prayers at her sister's knee, Glen stumbled at the sublime plea for forgiveness "as we forgive those who trespass against us"—and hurried on, with a lump in her throat, to an additional petition.

"And now, Missy, don't forget—God bless mother and Frank and Glen and Mauma Betsy."

"And the Yankee man," Missy added gravely, with such exquisite innocence in her expressions eyes that the girl could but lower her head at the soft amen.

When the captain and his men moved into their new quarters Missy went over body and soul to the enemy. Aside from the flattering devotion of which she gradually became the object, there were other considerations which appealed to her as strongly. The captain had learned to coax her affections by catering to her taste for dainties—sweet crackers, preserved ginger and other luxuries not unknown to an officer's table—and the pretty gourmand was feasted and petted to her heart's content. But if her humble slave and admirer imagined for an instant that her naive friendliness might act as an opening to some intercourse with the rest of her family he was destined to disappointment.

What a fine network of dignified, yet exquisite, reserve these southern women could weave around them! Day after day Captain Campbell found himself smiling at it, wondering at it, chafing at it. His enforced term of idleness in a lonely country house was a sufficient explanation to himself of any interest he might take in his surroundings. Such an experience of boredom was enough to warrant the degree of pleasure he began to feel in the rare appearance of a girlish form, or the sound of a fresh young voice, which was not often audible. Sometimes he enjoyed the privilege of seeing the grinning Nelse lead a fine old hunter around to one of the side doors of the mansion, and then he would watch breathlessly the breezy grace with which the Virginia girl swung to her saddle. He learned in time that these afternoon rides were not pleasure excursions. They were errands to the postoffice, about five miles distant, upon which Nelse was never trusted, and the captain soon succeeded in approximating so exactly the period required for their performance that the twilight was almost sure to find him at his window in time to watch the return—the thoroughbred skimming over the ground like a bird, while Glen's lithe body swayed easily to his magnificent stride.

But never once did Captain Alan Campbell gain an opportunity of speaking to her after their first meeting. Her mother he saw almost daily, for her woman's heart was not proof against the fact that a sufferer was lying under her roof, and the wounded young sergeant, who was wasting away with fever, had reason to bless her tender ministrations. For awhile the captain found himself hoping that another gentle presence might brighten the sick room, but Mrs. Helen always came alone, and only once did the captain meet his younger hostess face to face. It was one evening when Missy, entirely forgotten by her elders, had made one of her surreptitious visits to the soldiers' quarters, and there, overcome with drowsiness and an excess of sweetmeats, had fallen asleep in Captain Campbell's arms. He could not bear to waken her, and so, with her unconscious little head resting against his breast, he strode down the long hall and ventured to knock at the door of the family sitting room.

It was opened by Mrs. Helen, who thanked him, with some gentle confusion at her apparent oversight of the child. He was not invited to enter, but over the lady's head he caught a glimpse of Glen, and was not slow to interpret her quick indignant glance at her little sister in such a resting place. He had seen that impatient brightness in her eyes before, and he went back to spend a restless night in the old bedroom, which some whim had led him to choose as his own and his wounded comrade's sleeping apartment. He was beginning to curse himself for the fancy.

A veritable spirit of unrest paraded the ghostly old room. When the lights were extinguished, and the sick man lay quietly sleeping beside him, a mocking bird, in the syringa hedge just below the open windows, filled the night with melody, and in the pauses of his song the plaintive cry of the whip-poor-will echoed across the wide lawn.

The air was filled with the sweet night scents of languishing spring flowers, and the captain, tossing on his couch, peopled the room with half waking fancies. Once more the floor rang to the tread of dancing feet, and as the music throbbed his own arms encircled a slender shape, or, in that alcoved window filled with shadows, while the moon hung low in a tender sky, his clinging lips found hers. In his dreams he shook with the sweet agony of the caress—and the next morning he laughed mockingly at its recollection as he made his toilet.

"Surely this languid air and this idle life have fired my blood," he said, stretching himself. "I no longer wonder at southern sentiment. I need a ten mile march through Virginia pipe clay, under a pouring sky, to shape me up again. If my orders don't come this week I shall be a proper subject for irons and a court martial."

And at the same early hour Glen was in the hall beneath him, engaged in her morning tasks of sweeping and dusting, with Missy, elevated on one of the tables, gravely detaching her.

"Missy," said Glen, suddenly throwing down her brush and putting her arms about the child, "do you know what mother says? that you must never, never go into the soldiers' rooms again. Do you understand me? Do you know that they are bad, wicked men, Missy; that they have taken everything away from us, and that they are keeping Brother Frank away from home, and poor mother breaking her heart about him? And Missy," Glen's face darkened as she lifted the child in her strong young arms and held her up to the draped portrait above them, "don't you know that they killed Uncle Matt, our dear father's youngest brother?" Glen waited to watch the effect of this last statement, but it was certainly not what she expected. Missy had evidently heard the story before, and in her eyes it had lost some of its tragic features. There was actually a judicial severity in her face as Glen put her down.

"No, they didn't, Glen; indeed they didn't," she decreed.

"What do you mean, Missy?"

"Because I asked him," the child said triumphantly. "I brought him in here one day when you were away, and I said, 'Did you—kill—my poor, dear uncle?' Her exact imitation of her sister's tones gave the girl a sobbing, hysterical desire to laugh.

"And what did he say?"

"He said"—missy's eyes grew solemn as she raised her right hand and repeated in a whisper—"God knows I did not, my dear little one!"

And Glen, suddenly bending down, kissed the innocent face that had grown so awed at the recollection of that oath.

CHAPTER III.

"Oh, Frank, you must hurry."

But other things even more important than the fact of Missy's defection weighed upon the girl's mind. A crisis had suddenly arrived in the family affairs. The instructions which terminated her brother's short furlough and the orders for which he had waited had at last arrived, and Glen was feverishly anxious to convey them safely to his hands. On the evening of the arrival of the Union troops at the homestead he had barely escaped being made a prisoner by receiving information of their coming, and since then he had steadfastly refused to leave the vicinity without orders, hoping to be able to carry some information concerning the enemy to headquarters.

And all this time Glen's heart was torn by a thousand fears. Her imagination intensified the real dangers of his situation, and the unsettled state of the country, just before the close of the war, warranted in a great measure her anxiety. He might be made a prisoner at any moment, or shot as a spy. Many a night the girl awoke sobbing and panting from frightful dreams, and the fact that the whole responsibility of the household rested upon her shoulders—that upon her devolved the duty of sustaining her timid and gentle mother—rendered her position a thousandfold more trying. When her brother left home they had hurriedly fixed upon a rendezvous where she might meet him at certain times, but experience had taught her that her visits to the deserted little shanty, deep in the woods, which they had selected, were not unattended with danger.

Of any personal peril she did not stop to think, but there were scores of runaway or discontented slaves, eagerly looking forward to their expected freedom, who would gladly bear tidings of a Confederate soldier to those whom they considered their best friends and liberators. But these papers must be delivered into her brother's hands. She could not breathe freely until this was done. It was late in the afternoon when she made her preparations for the long walk. It was not safe to meet her brother until night had fallen, but the moon would rise on her homeward way, and her mission once accomplished she would know no fear. At last she was ready to set out. Missy put up her lips for a goodby kiss, and her mother overwhelmed her with whispered precautions and messages to her boy. At last Glen was out of the house and walking swiftly down the long cedar avenue. As she passed through the great gates she noticed Nelse skulking behind one of the trees, and sharply ordered him back to the house.

For a moment a suspicion of the boy shot through her brain. He had been unusually surly of late and rebellious of authority, but this she had attributed to the general disaffection which now hung like a dark cloud over the relations of slave and master. She dismissed the fear from her mind as she hurried onward. When she reached the wood the sun was almost setting, and the dense shade of the trees made a twilight under their thick boughs. She had advanced but a few steps—the hut was still far out of sight, and its occupant, if he had already come, far out of hearing—when she was startled by a rustling in the bushes behind her. It was some wild animal, she told herself—a squirrel, a snake, possibly, gliding through the undergrowth. If—her heart stood still at the thought—it were anything else, it were equally perilous to advance or retreat. She turned swiftly to face the danger. Directly before her, creeping along in the bushes, her quick eyes discovered the crouching form of Nelse.

"Nelse," she called, her voice shaking with scorn and anger. The old habit of obedience was too strong upon him for open resistance, and he slouched forward, cringing under her blazing eyes, but his rebellion was not quenched.

"Don't yer hit me, Miss Glen," he whined. "I'se mos' free now, I knows I is, and you daasn't hit me. 'Deed you daasn't."

"You should answer for this, if a whole regiment of Yankees backed you," she said. "Now go."

And Nelse heeded no second bidding. He sprang away like a deer, and his mocking laugh came back to the girl's startled ears. But she had not a moment to lose. She understood too well what his next move would be. He had gone back to the house to inform upon her. There was a short cut which she had not taken, on account of its publicity, and of this he and they who returned with him would avail themselves. Of this new complication she feared not tell her brother. She knew his rash impetuous temper, and that rather than allow her to encounter any danger alone he would simply wait and give himself up to his enemies. There was but one course open to her. She must hurry on at her utmost speed, give him the papers, and without arousing his suspicions, urge him to instant departure. All this she determined upon as she hastened onward with reckless speed. But the hut was still at a considerable distance, and the way was rough and difficult, even to her nimble feet. When at last she reached the shanty and sank into her brother's arms, she was breathless from fright and exhaustion.

"But, dear, I cannot keep you a moment," she panted, after he had glanced over the papers she thrust into his hands, not even to answer questions. You don't know the danger we are in or the risk I have run in coming. Oh, Frank, it would break mother's heart if anything should happen to you. No, dear, we women are not in any danger. The soldiers are quartered upon us, but they are civil enough in their bearing. But, oh, Frank, you must hurry. Let me give you mother's love and her blessing and her kisses, with dear little Missy's and mine, and then you must go."

"And not a moment to talk with you, Glen?"

"Not a moment. Is that Black Bess tied out yonder? Wait, I will go with you to mount, and then you must ride like the wind."

It was quite dusk in the wood.

Black Bess whinnied with pleasure and snuffed daintily as Glen passed her hand caressingly over the creature's satin neck. Her brother held her for a moment in a close embrace; there was a whispered "God bless you," a quick vault to the saddle, and then the spirited mare, with her gallant rider, dashed forward out of sight. Glen watched them until the last glimmer of Confederate gray had vanished, and then turning, with tear filled eyes and a beating heart, saw Captain Campbell not ten rods distant, leaning quietly against a tree, with his arms folded on his breast.

In an instant the indignant blood rushed hotly to her face and throat. He evidently expected her to speak. Indeed, he lifted his cap and advanced a step, but her pause was only momentary. With her head up, she went swiftly past him, noticing him no more than if he had been the tree against which he had leaned. With one stride he was beside her.

"Will you accept my escort, Miss Helen?" he asked courteously. "This wood is a lonely place, and particularly unsafe in these unsettled times and at this hour."

"It seems infested with spies at any rate," she said haughtily. "I could scarcely expect you to relinquish your role so quickly for that of protector. But to spy upon a woman!" In her uncontrollable excitement she had turned in the narrow pathway to confront him, and her face shone white in the darkness. "When you and your soldiers forced yourselves upon us, Captain Campbell, we accepted the fortunes of war as gracefully as we might, and treated you, if not in the spirit at least in the letter of courtesy, as our guests. Do you know that a southerner—yes, the humblest of us—would sever his right arm from his body sooner than be guilty of what you have seen fit to consider your duty? And a gentleman would scorn to accept information from a base slave who betrays his master!"

"Perhaps the latter character is an exotic which exists only south of Mason and Dixon's line, Miss Helen."

His tones were perfectly calm. If she had not been so swept out of her ordinary self control she might have detected a faint amusement in his voice, but her passion had blinded her perceptions.

"And now, if you have fulfilled your mission," she said after a pause, "you will permit me to find my way home."

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Parties out of all other provider to live as the administration (the Dem > cratic house might revive the old story that Minister Egan is to be recalled some time

J. W. DELAMATER & private conference in Mandeville was split by the street in Monday of last week for $1,000 00. It was the direct property to a new lawyer of Mandeville was the year course

MR. PATTISON'S son is still United States Minister to Chili and very much as one month of that republic of mixed Nations manners that keeps the position to recognize the Baltimores in Indian wishes and uniform respect for the government.

THE candidates who of diplomatic Massey wants him to represent Nevada in the United States Senate, and at though Mr. Massey is supposed to be a citizen of more than ordinary that she will present upon him to announce himself as a candidate.

CONGRESSMAN PACKER of Ohio says, our people are not free traders In reply to this question You then direct that he cannot be sent to Congress reform he said Will it this very of reform reform means free trade It means that Ohio will never record a free trade vote Pretty good for an ex Democratic United States Senator

COMMODORE LEVERING Chairman of the Democratic County Committee expresses the opinion that with proper organizations as I have work Mc Kean can be counted upon for a Democratic majority in 1892 Not much This not much The Republican candidate for President will have not more than one thousand majority in this county next year

It is rumored that the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern R R is soon to bring another embargo to the oil and coal fields of Pennsylvania The eight of way has been secured for it time from Westfield, N Y to Warren via the May ville, Panama, Bird and Spicer Grove The loading station at Repairs shops recently erected at Westfield by the Lake Shore was in anticipation of this move

YOUNG Mr Russell who does just about as elected Governor of Massachusetts, says that the Democrats will carry that State next year Upon what he bases such a prediction it is hard to understand At the late election every one counted can tell us that the States except four Missouri are Republican and the Legislatures in Republican by a large majority President Harrison received over 12 000 majority in 1888, and the Republican majority next year will very likely equal if not exceed that figure

THE people of the United States in every county stand to that of all Europe which has a population of 357 000 000 The State of Texas alone has a greater area than either Germany or America, whose population one are respectively 49 000 000 and 61 000 000 If that were as densely settled as Massachusetts, it would hold nearly 70 000 000 as much as France and Great Britain together The area of the Middle Atlantic States is little less than one of that of Italy and with a population as dense as that of Massachusetts, would find room for all the Italian people *New York Evening Post*

THE National Council of Administration of the G A R presided over by Commander-in-chief Palmer held a most harmonious meeting in Washington last week and decided that the national encampment should be held above the first week in October next year The members of the council are enthusiastic over the prospects for the greatest encampment ever held. General Palmer says Thoughtless and ill-informed people in Boston in fact I and at Boston that we should as ever again see so many Grand Army men in line but I want to go that back The Washington encampment is going to eclipse all others.

THE sentiments hatred displayed by the Democratic press of the country towards our minister to Chili, Mr Egan, says the Toledo *Blade* is simply because he is an Irishman and a Republican. There is every reason why Irish Americans should vote with the Republican party but none as all why they should vote with the Democrats. British free trade ruined Ireland, and is to day one of the leading causes of the distress of her people. The Democratic party is in favor of driving free trade and of extending it to this country The Republican party believes in protection to oppose all policy A vote for the Democratic ticket is a vote for free trade Britain and free trade, and, as we said before there is no possible reason why any Irishman should vote for it."

THE audacious idea of a printing office being opened with prayer This is a rare exception to the rule, as from time immemorial it has been the custom of the fraternity to be opened by the devil and closed by the sheriff —*Detroit Observer*

Tuberculosis is a disease-shaking kind of itself. It appears on the assistance and inspiration interested attended to the very subject. The usual methods of beginners above. The usual methods of beginners above. These are frequently quite astonishing. Others are recognizable as to both amuses and interest enough as to how they are written. Among the final of whom they are written. Among the final of whom they are written. A breakfast sprigtail. In many in cases, wonderful but "Many lives owe to the suggestion, would but" Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery to the assistance death, best ing, and breathing preventative death, best the potent remedy. It cures all chronic, diseases, blood, and lungs illnesses, as bilious, blood, and lungs illnesses, as bilious, consumption, all or kindred diseases, scrofulous consumption, all or kindred diseases, scrofulous —no worse and pimpling, salt-rheum, fever, —no worse and pimpling, salt-rheum, fever, sore, pimples, and even scrofula of the lungs (or consumption), if taken in time.

THE RESULT THE WORLD OVER.

Hon. Chauncy M. Depew will scarcely be accused of fanaticism on the question of liquor drinking. Here is his experience stated in a speech before a company of railroad men "Twenty years ago I knew every man, woman and child in Peekskill And it has been a study to me to mark the boys who started in every grade of life with myself to see what has become of them. I was up last fall and began to count them over, and it was an instructive exhibit. Some of them have become clerks, merchants, manufacturers, lawyers and doctors. It is remarkable that every one of those who drank are dead not one living of my age Barring a few who were taken off by sickness every one who proved a wreck and wrecked his family did it from rum and no other cause Of those who were Christians, who were steady, industrious, hard-working men who were frugal and thrifty every single one of them without an exception owns the house in which he lives and has something laid by the interest on which with his home would carry him through many a rainy day When a man becomes debased with rum or drink he doesn't care all his finer feelings are crowded out The poor women at home are the ones that suffer suffer in their tenderest emotions suffer in their affections for those whom they love better than life

GIVE THANKS.

WASHINGTON Nov 13. President Harrison this afternoon issued the following proclamation appointing Thursday November 26 a day of thanks giving and prayer

It is a very glad incident of the marvelous prosperity which has crowned the year now drawing to a close that its helpful and reassuring touch has been felt by all our people. It has been as wide as our country and so special that every home has felt its comforting influence It is too great to be the device of Sla mind. To God the bestowers and the All Wise who makes the labors of men fruitful redeems their losses by His grace and the measure of whose giving is as much beyond the thoughts of man as it is beyond His deserts, the praise and gratitude of the people of this favored nation are justly due

Now therefore, I Benjamin Harrison President of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Thursday the 26th day of November prox sent to be a day of joyful thanksgiving to God for the bestowal of His providence for the peace in which we are permitted to enjoy them and for the preservation of those institutions of civil and religious liberty which He gave our fathers the wisdom to devise and establish and us the courage to preserve Among the appropriate observances of the day are rest from toil worship in the public to the congregation the renewal of family ties, about our American firesides, and thoughtful helpfulness toward those who suffer Let of the body or of the spirit In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be fixed Done at the city of Washington this 17th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety one and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and sixteenth

AN AMERICAN VICTORY

Our special dispatches from London show that McKinley a great victory in Ohio is very distasteful to the British manufacturers and free traders. Of course they try to minimize the importance of the result but they are compelled to acknowledge that it hardens their prospects of converting the United States into a market for goods upon their goods. If Mr McKinley had been beaten they would have rejoiced and would have looked forward confidently to the repeal of the present high tariff and the opening of our markets to their control

It is a curious state of affairs when a foreign nation is so intensely interested in a State election in this country as the English were in this Ohio contest What business is it of theirs? The only reason they have for such interest is the fact that a large party in this country is doing its best to ruin American industries and give Great Britain the command of our markets. They to this, it is true, under the specious plea that goods will be cheaper if we buy them from England than if we make them here The policy of this plea has been exposed but even if it were true the people of this country have no desire to go back a century and a quarter and place themselves in a condition of commercial dependency upon Great Britain

The British meddle with our affairs, and sometimes contribute money to influence our elections, because they are invited to do so by the Democratic party If it were not that they hope by means of that party to regain their lost control of our markets they would keep their hands off

Without feeling any enmity to England fully recognizing all her good deeds and her near relationship to us, we may nevertheless, rejoice in Major McKinley's victory as a blow at the British interests in this country It is a distinctively American victory and in it as such, every good American has cause to rejoice *New York Mail and Express*

THE END OF THE EXTRA SESSION

Just as expected and predicted the Senate resolved that the cases of the State Treasurer and Auditor General were not within its jurisdiction, that they formed judicial and not executive business.

Of course, it will be denounced as guilty of a trick in hiding behind the question of jurisdiction but let those who utter the denunciation and the charge of partisanship as inspiring the trick remember that if this be deemed the motive of the Senate, no trick was necessary to accomplish it. The Senate to such circumstance could have declared its jurisdiction and then refused to vote the address to the Governor for the removal of the accused officers, on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to justify it. That there actually was not such evidence the Republican Senators believed But no matter about that. The point is that from the position of the Democrats themselves, there was no necessity why the Senate, if determined for partisan reasons to shield the accused officers, should resort to a trick They could have done what the Governor wanted them to do, take jurisdiction and still have accomplished all that is or will be laid up to them

There is another consideration. The Governor called the Senate together as a jury and before this jury laid his proofs. He had his counsel in the person of the Attorney General to represent him before the jury Nominally he was there as an assistant to the Senate actually he was the adviser of the Governor's own choosing, for he could have had one of twelve good men and true just as well, was under oath and felt the sanctity of it as much as any other body of men would have felt it. They are as high in intelligence and morals as any similar number of average men, and as likely to do conscientiously a sworn duty The Governor having lost his cause before this jury, does it become his friends to say that it was solely because the jurors deserved themselves? It differed from other juries in that a majority determined the verdict, and that difference is very small. It is simply that in this the minority held out, while in others it accedes to the majority.

There was no trick in the matter, for no trick was needed even to a partisan purpose. There is no sense in denouncing a jury which was of the plaintiff's own choosing —*Pittsburgh Times.*

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own Correspondent.

HARRISBURG, Nov 16th, 1891 — Pattison's Extraordinary session of the Senate has passed into history and the Governor has added one more indication of his littleness of caliber as a statesman The closing hours of the session witnessed a demogogical political ending of a most disgraceful effort of high State officials to debauch their official powers for purely political ends.

There were speeches and speeches on the democratic side, in the attempt of the minority to justify the Governor in convening the Senate in extra session there public a majority listened to the demoralized democracy and the audience that packed the gallery listened in silence. The speeches on the republican side were closed by Senator Porter the leader of republicans in the Philadelphia. He did not mince matters, he did not argue the question of the Senate's jurisdiction he did not argue as to the guilt or innocence of the accused State officials, no, he made a plain, truthful five minutes speech full of gall for the Governor and Mr Harrity He talked right out in school and said, "From the beginning to the end of this session the democracy were intent in making political capital out of the session and the Governor in calling the Senate into existence and his willing tools in conducting the business of the session, was purely for political effect and knew better than the Governor himself that such was the entire purpose in convening the Senate, but the people had been heard from and they said, in a voice that could not be mistaken, we prefer republicanism to democracy and with a majority almost of 50,000 elected the entire republican ticket." Senator Porter told the plain truth and now the Senate was ready to go home The resolution declared "that the Senate had no jurisdiction" It was decided by a strictly party vote of 28 republicans to 13 democrats, and this farce of Pattison's extra session ended

Atty General Hensel did not attend the obsequies of the extra session but Harrity was there as the Executive mourner and was permitted to drop a few tears as he saw all the lofty hopes of his boss and of himself dashed to the ground

He was, however before the final adjournment took place treated to some plain talk and heard some republican truths that must have greated harshly upon his ears. These would have sounded far pleasanter had the democratic orators not all gone astray. The last act of all was the confirmation of a large batch of nominations that have been made since the adjournment of the regular session These included all that have been made except in the cases of Supt of Public Instruction and the Chief Factory Inspector It is expected that the Supreme Court will dispose of these two cases and that the Governor will be governed in his future disposal of these places by the decision of the Court The tenure of office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction has been argued before the Supreme Court and the decision to that case will be the precedent to be followed in the case of the Chief Inspector

Final adjournment took place on Thursday last, 4 30 P M, and the republicans and democrats alike were glad to get away from what has been all through a most unpleasant task

Last week the great Mogul of the Alliance Federation (the president of the National Farmers Alliance) was in Harrisburg, and as this curiosity came from that hot bed of farmer cranks, Kansas, he was greeted by a large and rose of our citizens, in addition to the State Farmers' Alliance in session in Harrisburg He raved and ranted in true cow boy style and deplored the condition of the farmers of the country and among other things that he said was the warning that this country was on the eve of a great revolution," &c Such talk did not take with the farmers of Pennsylvania, they laughed and looked at each other and smiled The speech of the National Farmers' Alliance President was a masterly failure and the general comment was that 'Pennsylvania farmers took no stock in such clamjatia." The Pennsylvania farmers are reading and thinking men and cannot be swayed by the ravings of any western Alliance crank. The speech, however, amused our farmers and they went home better pleased than ever with republican Pennsylvania.

The Grand Army Posts of the country are much pleased with the stand recently taken by the Commander-in-Chief, General Palmer, in regard to comrades taking part, in any way, in celebrations or ceremonies where the rebel flag of the late confederacy or any symbol or device of the treason of the South is displayed. He forbids, in general orders, all comrades of the G A R. from lending any aid or assistance, by their presence, at all demonstrations where emblems of treason are displayed and appeals to the patriotism of comrades for a strict compliance to the order. There is not a ceremony held anywhere south of Mason and Dixon's line where the old rebel rag does not hold the right of the line and this emblem of the treason of the south is as much beloved to-day as it was in days of the rebellion and not unfrequently have the G A R. marched behind the rebel flag in these ceremonies. It is against such proceedings as this that the Commander-in-Chief has issued his general order and he has the entire loyal north to sustain him in the position he has taken and the "boys who wore blue" will ever shout "down with the traitors and up with the stars," and uphold National Commander Palmer.

There is some talk of the strained relations that are said to exist between some members of the World's Fair Commission. At the last meeting of the Commission, bad feelings cropped out in one or two instances and it is whispered that some changes may be the result of this feeling in the near future. Robert E. Wright, the defeated candidate for Auditor General on the democratic ticket, was there and it is whispered that he had his little hatchet unsheathed for the Governor, but he failed to use it for the proper opportunity. It is said that Mr Wright is fully convinced that at the last moments of the campaign he was deserted by the administration and he proposes to let the Governor know this and tell him of it at the first public opportunity that may present itself. There is no doubt that Pattison is endeavoring to use the Commission as a political machine but if all rumors be correct he will get awfully tired of the job before he is through with it. He has proven himself a statesman of very small caliber

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A. D. No. 231 June Term 1891

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County Greeting

Whereas, Catharine Greene Brown by her next friend Clarence Greene, did on the 24th day of March 1891 prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said County of Pennsylvania praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Therefore

We therefore command you the said Thomas Brown, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges of our Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the Second Monday of January A. D. 1892 to answer the petition or libel of said Catharine K. Green, by her next friend, Clarence Green and to show reasons, if any you have, why the said Catharine K. Green, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy WALTER GRLSB Sheriff

A. P. Hamy Lindsay's Atty

Smethport, Pa. November 17, 1891

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 12 June Term 1891

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting

Whereas, Mary Hall in the twenty eighth day of April 1891 prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said County of Pennsylvania praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Charles Hall

We therefore command you the said Charles Hall, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the 21 Monday of December next, to answer the petition or libel of said Mary Hall and to show cause if any you have, why the said Charles R. Hall, your husband should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy WALTER GRLSB Sheriff

A. P. Hamy Lindsay's Atty

Smethport, Pa. Nov 17, 1891

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 61 June Term 1891

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting

Whereas, Louisa Thomas Benson by her next friend, Meissner Orr did on the twenty-fourth day of April 1891 prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said County of Pennsylvania praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Andrew Benson.

We therefore command you the said Andrew Benson, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the 21 Monday of December next, to answer the petition or libel of said Melissa Louisa Benson, by her next friend, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Melissa Louisa Benson should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

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Notices.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADministrators having been settled in the office of the Register the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphans' Court, to be held at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the Second Monday of December, A. D. 1891

First and final account of George N Sanderson, administrator of the estate of Annie S. Sanderson, deceased.

First and final account of David C Brown, administrator of the estate of Lavina Turner, deceased.

First and final account of James George administrator of the estate of Anne S. Benson, deceased.

First and final account of John Sanderson administrator of the estate of Jerome J Curtis, deceased.

First and final account of W. E. Gardner administrator of the estate of Sidney L. Morgan, deceased.

First and final account of E. E. Mayo, administrator of the estate of Ellis V Crooks, deceased.

First and final account of William Coonan, administrator of the estate of Michael Carey, deceased.

J. M. MCELROY, Register
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy

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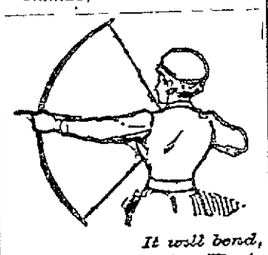

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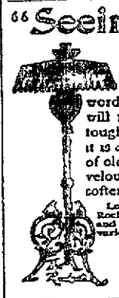

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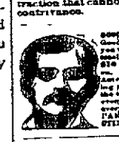

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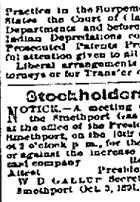

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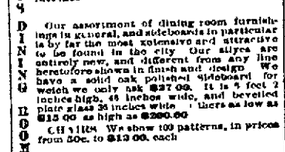

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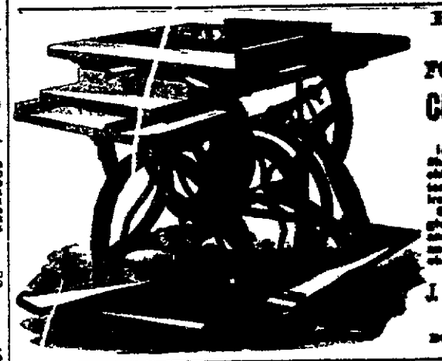

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Smethport, Pa., Nov. 20 1891

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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J. W. Means, Sr., is the authorized agent of the MINER in Kane borough and the townships of Wetmore, Hamilton and Sinnamille. He is authorized to receive subscriptions and contract for advertising and job work. L. SOLOMON AND SON, Publishers.

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If she may shine to hear
And listen to be sweet to her
If there may seem in gladness
And impart to praise
To watch be rich in comforts
And be a gentle dresser—
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Detroit Free Press.

The naughting next Thursday

Are announcement of horses for sale, in this issue

Snow shovels were in demand Wednesday morning

A court for the trial of civil cases opened on Monday

Notice on account of the year it is the custom of the turkey to be considered

The Boston Ideal Concert Company at the opera house, Thursday evening, Dec 10th

There is a difference between summer and winter Note the difference as pointed out in T. Emery Jr. & Co.'s new advertisement in another column.

The Union Thanksgiving services will be held this year in the Baptist church at 10 a. m. on Thanksgiving Day. The sermon will be preached by Rev. F. E. Hinds.

Judge Kerr announced decided at Reading that the county is not liable for costs of prosecutions except when a jury has rendered a verdict upon which sentence can be imposed.

An attack of bully acho which Adjutant McClelland had on Saturday last was telegraphed all over the country by Harrisburg correspondents. Catarrh is what they are

Fred Hawkes has entered the employ of Thomas Cochran, of Johnsonburg as bookkeeper and entered upon his duties last week. There are good reasons for congratulations on both sides.

The ladies of All Saints Chapel Smethport, will serve a 6 o'clock supper at the Bradford House Tuesday Nov 24th. Supper menus will be served from 5 to 7 p. m. to which all are invited

The St. Mary's *Herald* is dead but Ceasar visits *Herald* will commence publishing this week. In other words the *Herald* establishment is being moved down west to Centreville, Elk county

D. S. Pattison has issued a Thanksgiving Proclamation, but as our space is limited and we had the Presidents in type before we received the Governor's we publish the former to the exclusion of the latter

Are you going west? Are you in need of clothing, boots or shoes? W. W. Hall & Sons, Olean, will sell you a ticket and do you out for the trip for a small amount of money. See adv. risement to this week's MINER.

The *Argus* reveals a bad state of affairs over in Punxsutawney Centre. It says "If people keep on moving out at the present rate there will not be a family left here in the spring." The probabilities are that some of those who have left will be coming back before the flowers bloom again

Mrs. E. B. McCoy, of Mt. Jewett, was poisoned Saturday by eating something unwholesome. At first it was thought a mystery hung over the case, but this seems unfounded now. The attack was not reported as a grave one — *Pitt. Dispatch.*

A. M. Coleman will soon have his whole lot in Eldred covered with hotel buildings. The *Eagle* says that he is about building an addition which will be 24x27 and 28 feet high, and to be connected to the main building by an elevated hall-way

—The eclipse of the moon on Sunday evening last was so completely eclipsed by clouds in this locality that it was not discernible to the sharpest sighted individuals, although some highly imaginative people claim that they got a glimpse of the tail end of the obscuration.

At the court house, on Sunday morning next, Rev. E. E. Helms will speak to the "Negro Problem." The services in the evening will consist of a Jubilee meeting, song service and short addresses by Prof. W. F. Eckels and Rev. E. E. Helms, in the interest of "Southern Education."

The members of the K. A. I., together with a surprise party on Monday evening last, to Mrs. Mary A. Moses, at her residence on Main street. The party was for the purpose of leaves taking previous to her departure for Nebraska, where she will spend the winter. A very pleasant evening was spent.

We are indebted to the invitation committee for a complimentary to the Association Ball to be given in Eldred by the K. O. I. M. and I. O. O. F. under the auspices of the Eldred Band, on Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 26th. We regret that another engagement for that evening prevents our acceptance.

The Reporium *Independent* of last week announced the death of Palmer Howard, one of the oldest and most popular manufacturers on the W. N. Y. & P. R. R. at his home in Buffalo on the 6th inst., of pneumonia, aged 56 years. That paper truly says, "he was a man without an enemy in the world."

—The St. Margaret Society of St. Luke's Church will open a bazaar at the residence of Mrs. L. Rogers on King St. on Wednesday evening, Nov. 25th, commencing at six o'clock. It will close at 9 P. M., the same evening. The young girls belonging to that society have prepared many useful and beautiful articles which they will have on sale that evening and they will also provide supper for all those who will favor them with their patronage.

—Frank W. Knox, formerly of Coudersport, a well known lawyer and a man of considerable wealth, died at his home in Virginia on Monday evening last. Owing to bad health he moved south within a year past. It will be remembered that last winter he was sued for a breach of promise in Buffalo which proved to be a very sensational case. The woman was awarded a verdict of $5,000, but the defendant was not willing to settle on that basis and appealed the case to the Supreme Court.

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It is announced by the post office department that the reports from county seat postmasters are proving of great interest and significance. The results so far attained prove the postmasters of the country properly appreciate the responsibilities of the office. It is worthy of note that they welcome universally the rules made in accordance with the order of the Postmaster General and that they are disposed as a rule, to carry out all suggestions looking toward improvement of the service. There is every reason why the postmasters of a county should become acquainted with each other and that they should co-operate in any movement intended to increase accommodation. The visit now in progress are to aid in this direction. *Ex.*

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When Queen Elizabeth of England found death approaching her ladies cried desperately, "All my possessions for a moment of time!" There are wealthy ladies to-day, the world over, who would gladly exchange their riches for sound health. Many are made well and happy by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a never failing cure for diseases so common to women. As a corrective for all functional weakness it is of unfurpassed repute among the sex, and thousands of pale, weak, suffering victims have been wrought into vigorous women and girls by its use. *Guaranteed* to give satisfaction, or price refunded. Druggists here do it.

—Other pe ons are more clever to see,
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For every good he seek,
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I bring them a positive fact.

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William Rice, of Kendall, evidently enjoys the life of a traverse juror.

Hon. S. F. Wilson, of Wellsboro, was in attendance at Court this week

Attorneys Huey and Wetzon of Kane, had business in Court this week.

Ambrose McCabe of Erie, is visiting his parents in Keating township for a few days.

Miss Rose Burlingame, of Sterrville, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. F. E. Foster, of west Main street.

Justice S. S. Carpenter of Larrabee, was mailing on his many Smethport friends Tuesday last.

Attorney H. J. Colcord, of Port Allegany was a pleasant caller at the MINER office Wednesday

A. V. Cowden and wife, of Perkins, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest a few days the past week

H. P. Moody Sr. of Watsonville, was conspicuously playing the part of a witness this week. It is not altogether a pleasant occupation for a busy man

John Bartlett and Miss Bell Bartle drove over from Port Allegany Sunday They were the guests of Miss Ykkle Bartlett while at the county seat

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Hon. A. G. Olmsted, President Judge of this Judicial district has erected in Coudersport a two-story brick building, a portion of which is given for the use of a public library

A. F. Lannon Esq. the efficient Journal clerk of the State Senate was shaking hands with Smethport friends the first part of the week. He considers the extra session a rank blunder for the Pattison Administration

Married at the house of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. West, No. 70 Fourth street Olean by the Rev. T. W. Chandler of Pomeroy, N. Y. Mr. J. W. Baker of Smethport, Pa. Miss L. Estella West of this city

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The appearance of this distinguished actress in a farce and a comedy at the opera house last evening, was greeted by a fair audience. Miss Mather seemed to advantage in low as well as high comedy displaying powers in each of versatility not only perfect in delineation but of exquisite conceptions of her impersonations. Her acting and stage manners are faultless, brilliant in dazzling points when they are least expected, warming the coldness of art with the glow and freshness of nature. In this respect Miss Mather excels Mrs. Navarro nee Mary Anderson and recalls to the older theatre goers the acting of Fanny Kemble Butler who passed from comedy to tragedy to dashes of genius that were bewildering. Miss Mather's performance last evening were a questionable perfections in professional effort which were heightened in their brilliancy by a support that was magnificent in every requirement of ability. *Harrisburg War-Independent.* Nov 11th. Miss Mather appears at the Wagner Opera House in Bradford on Saturday evening, of this week in Hance Oldham's last play "Love Chase." An excursion train will run on the B. R. & K. road returning after the close of the performance. A rare opportunity is presented for our people to see at her best one of the most brilliant actresses of the time.

County Bridge Bonds

The subscriber has seven Thousand Dollars of five per cent County Bridge Bonds to place. These bonds run from June 1st, 1892 interest payable semi-annually on the 1st day of January and July of each year at the Treasurer's Office in Smethport Pa.

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On Thanksgiving Day Thursday Nov 26 at 10:30 a. m. with the usual festival Music by the choir

Two Sons a Wife and Single Thought.

As they sat side by side they sighed.
Oh my God" he said, and then added
Dear Lake, "said she, as she looked I
will wed thee if thou will" and he will-
ed The honeymoon passed in extasies of
Excess in eating each ever brings
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A. B. Armstrong druggist believes that the secret of success is perseverance. Therefore he persists in keeping the finest line of perfumeries, toilet articles, cosmetic drugs and chemicals on the market. He especially invites all persons who have palpitation, short breath weak or hungry spells, pain in side or shoulder oppression, heart burn, dry cough smothering, dropsy or heart disease to try Dr Miles' unequaled New Heart Cure before it is too late. It has the largest sale of any similar remedy. Send book of testimonials free Dr Miles' Restorative Nervine is unsurpassed for sleeplessness, headache, fits, etc and it contains no opiates.

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T. P. Washburn and family are visiting in Bradford.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodard, of Keating, passed Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. Carrier's family on Genesee street.

Mrs. [illegible] of Rochester, is a guest of Mrs. Frankel Maines, on Tuesday evening.

V. Ferry Carter, of Olean Centre, was in town Friday.

Clarence Russell, of Rochester, is a guest of F. M. VanWormer.

Miss Millie Conklin, of Hickory has been the guest of Miss Jessie Smith the past week.

M. H. Evans, of this place, has been engaged to teach the Annin Creek school this winter.

Mrs. H. D. Roberts, who has been seriously ill, is, I am glad to report, much better.

Miss Grace Carrier, who is attending school at Portville, was obliged to come home Tuesday with a severe attack of la grippe

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Wednesday.

Mr. Aylesworth, of Oneida county, lectured at the Evening House on Sunday

Mr. Hare Thompson, of Erie's legal lights was in Kane on Monday on his way to Smethport.

Those skunks and shotguns were out on Saturday nights over up but were foiled by our vigilant chief of police.

Frank McConnell sports sensations big sales of clocks. People who have loosed around, come back to him for clocks.

Every evergreen smile has covered the whole face of Joshua Davis for the last 10 days. The three tank glass piano must be coming to Kane soon.

Noah H. Parker, of Garrison near Emporium passed through Kane on last Friday from a visit to the Rocky Mountains.

J. F. Murphy is filling up the Kemp building on the corner of Fraley and Haines streets for his new paper. It will be a neat office and will be completed this week.

There has not been a timein years when there was such a demand necessity for every business man in Kane to use every effort in their power to have the several projected industries locate in Kane

Frank Lefevre, an employe at the Brush Handle factory met with an accident on Monday. He was in the act of blowing off one of the large saws here when by carelessness on the part he was severely scalded about his arms and hands.

Mrs. Minerva Mishere died Sunday morning on East Haines street, of typhoid fever aged 30 years. Her remains were taken to Warren on Tuesday for interment. There was a large attendance at the funeral showing the esteem in which she was held.

H. H. Lee was out hunting last week near Mt. Jewett. When passing through what is called the swamp he was attacked, as he says by a large wild cat. Harry is young and full of pluck and he succeeded after a lively fight in disarming the animal with his hunting knife, which he still carries marks left on himself.

A gang of lumbermen are at work in the section of the country at present at Charles Mill. Where they are cutting a tract of timber owned by Mr. Mills. It requires many men and teams to do the logging and it is a sight worth beholding to see the large amount of timber they are getting out. Quite a number of Kane men are employed in the work.

KENDALL CREEK.

John Denman Jr. spent last week in Bradford

Gustavus Moll, of Mt. Alton spent Sunday with friends in town

Herbert Smith of Kendall visited Tarport friends over Saturday and Sunday

Mrs. M. F. Wesley has returned from a visit to relatives in Wolcottsville, Michigan

Arthur Green has opened a feed store in the old Phillips building on Main street.

Miss Anna Simmons of Gillmor was a visiting friends in town during the past week

A successful term of writing school has just been closed by Prof. W. [illegible] of Olean.

The kendall W. C. T. U. will give a calico-ball supper at their hall on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. C. A. Knight and daughter, Miss Pearl, of Derrick City visited Mrs. L. C. Richardson of Cuba Mountain, during the past week.

Miss Ella Haines who has been visiting her sister Mrs. [illegible] left for her home in Bradford on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell left on Saturday for a visit to their father's at Richburg, N. Y.

Charles Anderson the popular clerk in the grocery store of F. H. Sherman left on Monday to accept a lucrative position in Punxsutawney

Miss Ella Johnson teacher of the intermediate department of the public schools, is confined to her home by illness. Her school work dept to her by Miss Josephine Miller

A large number of the members of Dewey Union, No. 846, attended the Methodist Conference held at Gillmor on Thursday of last week. They went on a special train and report a fine time

Charles Butler and wife were pleasantly surprised by a number of friends on Wednesday evening last. Games and other divertisements passed the evening very pleasantly a substantial lunch was served to which the guests did ample justice

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WHEN LEE SURRENDERED

And so upon that day Glen took up his story with an added burden—a secret, awful burden, that weighed upon her girlish heart. All through that fatal month, in which the March winds shrilled the woods with beauty, the days went by in that old house, wrapped in a mist of fire and blood and carnage. No news of the outside world reached them. No communication stirred the pall of dread and anxiety which had settled down upon them, but at night they could see the red light of fires blazing against the quiet skies, and shuddered in their beds when the sullen boom of cannon shook the earth. Not one word or line came from the absent son and brother, and to the anguish that was whitening her mother's hair Glen dared not add one pang by describing this traitorous, disloyal, senseless feeling that had grown up in her heart. Oh! that she could crush it out like a poisonous thing—this strange madness which had changed her from a careless girl to an anxious, sad dread woman. The old rooms and the quiet wood where she often wandered to escape her mother's eyes seemed to mock her with memories of things that had passed away forever.

It was one day late in April, when she was returning from one of these aimless rambles, that she saw a body of horsemen moving along the road before her. They might be a squad of cavalrymen like those who had passed and halted many days before, she thought, unconsciously quickening her steps. But no, they wore the Confederate gray, a ragged, dirty, unkempt band, torn and tattered with unkempt hair and beards. Many of them reeled in their saddles, with songs and reckless laughter, but she felt no fear of them. She put her hands to her mouth, trumpet-wise and shouted

"What news? Has Lee surrendered?"

And the leader, swaying heavily over his horse's neck, shouted back with an oath

"No, miss, and he'll never surrender."

"He'll never surrender!" they all yelled in a wild chorus, as they put spurs to their maddened horses and disappeared in a cloud of dust.

When she reached the house her mother met her, with a new light on her stricken face and lost her greatly in and there upon the sofa lay her boy—her pale and worn and wasted indeed, but erect in body and limb. It is all over Glen" he said springing up to meet her and clasping her to his arms. It is all over and Lee has surrendered." He broke down in a burst of sobs.

And so a strange hope awoke in Glen's heart and lived there. It budded with the spring, and blossomed with the summer flowers, that opened this year to shed their petals upon many graves but when the autumn came and the wood dove moaned all day in her plaintive tones and the wind awoke in the pines, a newspaper, the first in many weeks, found its way to them. It was one of date but still welcome and Glen went to the open window to read it and there in a list of the dead she saw his name.

She was alone, but she did not cry out or faint. She had never been guilty of anything so weak and womanish, but once in her strong young life but she stepped out upon the lawn though it was raining heavily and went like a wounded thing down the long dark aye one of mourning cedars. He is dead" she said to herself when at last she reached the great gates and stopped "dead and I shall never know that I prayed he might come back to me—that no matter what happened he might come back—that he might only only come back."

Through all the wind and the falling rain and the darkness did he hear that despairing cry. For he was there clasping her in his passionate arms.

It was not I. This is not my ghost darling" he was saying as he showered kisses upon her white face. I have come back to the flesh to claim you mine Glen—mine always mine."

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"And to think," she said, lifting her happy eyes to the tall man who leaned against a tree beside her leisurely smoking and watching her as she reined on her royal speed of pure needless to think that on that very spot I was once so very very angry with you Alan"

"And to think" he answered bending down to put the dearly youngster who seated in his mother's lap was pulling at her bright hair down with his brave hands, that just four years after a southern girl—a Virginian of Virginia—should confess that she blessed the day when Lee surrendered"

THE END.

ONLY A FIELD.

Only a field 'neath the open sky,
Only a field 'neath the open sky,
While poverty's children struggle and die
Only a field 'neath the open sky.
Its ashen fire in vain, in vain shall we look,
Its heavy sheaves remain and stay.
Only a field 'neath the open sky.
Blooming with flowers gay.
—Edwin Truman Adams in Boston Transcript.

WHINSTONE'S VISITOR.

To get money and to keep it, according to Richard Whinstone's catechism, were the two chief ends of man. He was a single man on principle. It was the right thing economically, and therefore right indubitably. To one person in the world Richard Whinstone was generous, and that was his dear friend—Richard Whinstone.

Richard Whinstone had done a good day's work. He had made one or two profitable bargains, he had sold up the Widow Marten, and turned her and her six children out of doors for nonpayment of rent, and, finally, had read a little boy, with a pinched and pitiful face, who had besought the price of a loaf of bread and who said he had a sick mother at home, a lecture on the sinfulness of begging, that evidently touched the little wretch's conscience, for he turned aside and wept bitterly.

"You're a good citizen, Dick," he said, as he sat down to dinner "and deserve to be rewarded."

The dinner was one after his own heart. It was a treat he had promised himself if things went right, and they had gone right. His ale, drank and was merry. If his appetite lost its edge, the bottle of burgundy was there to whet it, and he fell to again, till the last morsel, like Macbeth's amen, stuck in his throat.

Sudsy normally begets placidity. The lion, the leopard and the lamb might lie down together any day with perfect safety to the latter—provided the two former had their bellies full. The boa constrictor, gorged with an ox, betakes himself, for a season, to a life of quiet. But the effect on Richard Whinstone was different. The expense of a whole sucking pig, wallowing in wine roasted beautifully on his conscience, and his brain began to busy itself with schemes of reimbursement.

The current of his thoughts was interrupted by a loud knock. Who could be coming on business at that hour? Some one, perhaps, with a bill to discount in an emergency that would bear no waiting. So much the better and he hastened to open the door.

"How are you, Dick?" the stranger greeted him, with a familiarity altogether too careless for a needy customer.

"I have not the pleasure of your acquaintance, sir," said Richard, in a tone more freezing than polite.

But I know you very well," returned the stranger, "and pray don't let us stand here beadying ceremonies, for it's confounded chilly" saying which, he led the way to the apartment Richard had just quitted. "Well, this is comfort," he continued, rubbing his hands before the fire. "I haven't felt so much at home since I left there."

A hasty survey of his visitor added alarm to Richard's astonishment. He was a wiry fill looking little man in a rusty suit of black, with a wicked leer on his face and one clubfoot.

"I say Dick," the little man resumed, holding his hands in the buss as if they were fireproof, "what an inhospitable dog you are!"

"Whether hospitable or inhospitable," growled Richard, losing his temper as he gained his courage, "is not your business, but I would like to know what is."

"It's bad talking business on an empty stomach."

"I don't see how it's to be helped," answered Dick, doggedly.

"Don't see how it's to be helped, you confounded goose," thundered the little man throwing the remains of such a feast on the table there must be more where it came from."

"Upon my word," replied Richard meekly, for he was getting frightened again, "there is not a bite in the house."

Don't tell" roared the other; "there is a cold ham in the pantry and a demijohn of brandy in the closet."

"How do you know that?" it was on the tip of Richard's tongue to ask but he was too much amazed to speak.

"How do I know it?" broke in the stranger, as if reading his thoughts, "why I smell them, so bring them out."

Richard would have demurred but his guest made a movement which convinced him delay might be dangerous, and the required articles were produced. Without changing his seat the little man drew up to the table and began to eat. And how he did eat! A chunk of ham big enough for a shark bait was stuck on the point of a carving knife and then thrust down his throat with the audacity of a sword swallower. Another and another followed, till nothing remained but the bone, which he crunched with his teeth and then sucked the marrow.

"Now for pencils" he cried.

"There is no hot water" Richard ventured to say.

"Water—who asked for water? Bring me a lemon, some sugar and a kettle."

The kettle was placed on the fire. The stranger filled it with brandy adding lemon and sugar to suit his taste. As the liquor boiled over it caught fire, setting the whole in a blaze. Richard jumped up to take it off, the stranger caught his arm and flung him back as if he had been a child instead of a substantial citizen of fourteen stone.

"What are you about" he exclaimed.

"The punch is doing well enough."

"I was only afraid the house might be burnt."

"Bother the house," replied the little man "there's no danger."

"Your health, Dick!" at length he said, and raising the bottle all blazing to its lips he drank like a dromedary.

"And now, Dick it's your turn," he said, after a long breath. "You must drink my health now."

Richard drew back.

"Drink!" shouted the stranger, holding out the vessel.

Poor Dick took a single gulp. He left the skin of his mouth on the brim of the bottle, his throat was scorched as with liquid fire and his hair was singed by the blaze.

"And now to business," said the stranger, resuming his seat and leaving Dick to sit or stand as he chose. "You know John Walter, I believe."

"Ye—yes," stammered Richard, "I once knew a person of that name."

"You and he went to California together."

Richard acknowledged the fact.

"You made money and he didn't."

"I believe I was the more fortunate of the two."

"You and he started to return together, and he died at San Francisco." Richard bowed.

"His wife and child are now destitute," the stranger persisted.

"I can't help that."

"Of course not. It was his boy you gave the good advice to today. I hope the young scamp will profit by it."

The scene with the little beggar Richard was one had been witnessed by no and was more than he could account for.

How the stranger had found it out was past comprehension.

"You're quite sure John Walter died poor?" the stranger went on.

"Oh, quite," said Richard. "I paid his funeral expenses myself."

"That's a lie," retorted the little man, "they were paid by the public. It's another lie that he died poor. He had $60,000 with him, which you stole."

"I deny it!" Richard fairly screamed, "and defy you to prove it."

"Prove it! What nitroglycerine! Why, I saw you do it!"

"It's false. There was nobody present."

"Be careful, Dick, or you'll commit yourself. I saw you do another thing."

Richard shrank shivering in a chair, but said nothing.

"John Walter would have survived his illness, but you put poison in his medicine!"

A sudden fury took possession of Richard Whinstone when he saw the secret of his life in another's keeping. The carving knife lay within his reach. He seized it, and springing on the stranger with a desperate plunge, sought to bury the blade in his heart, but it glanced as from plate armor, and in an instant the little man was on his feet.

"Oh, ho! that's your game, is it?"

And with a trip that sent his heels spinning in the air Richard was thrown headlong with a force that shook the house to its foundation. The clubfoot was planted on his stomach—and what a horribly ugly foot it was! It was cleft like the hoof of an ox and seemed to weigh a ton.

"Then you are the"——

"Pray keep a civil tongue in your head, and come along," said the little man.

Richard fainted.

When he came to himself day was breaking. The old housekeeper, who had found him groaning and sprawling on the floor, had, with much difficulty shaken him into consciousness. She assisted him to bed, but Richard never was himself again. The surfeit of pig had brought on a fever, of which he died in eight days. His last rational act was the execution of a will by which he left the bulk of his fortune to John Walter's widow and child, which, after all, was a simple act of justice, for the demon of nightmare had told the truth.—New York World.

Trousers the Correct Thing for the Ladies.

It is well understood by the advanced women of the period that trousers were woman's original dress. It was the inferior male creature in the primitive times that had to wear skirts, but as civilization undermined the stamina of the female, and she lost her prestige and was persuaded that woman was a weaker vessel, she allowed men to steal her trousers and palm off on her the skirts with which they had before been compelled to envelop themselves.

The cavil that has been made that there isn't much ornamental trimming there isn't much ornamental trimming there isn't much ornamental trimming